

Union Calendar No. 109

116TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2502

[Report No. 116-147]

To amend title 40, United States Code, to require certain prospectuses for public buildings to be made publicly available, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 2, 2019

Mr. PALMER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

JULY 11, 2019

Additional sponsors: Mr. MEADOWS and Mr. PENCE

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Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union
and ordered to be printed

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Transparency in Fed-
5 eral Buildings Projects Act of 2019”.

6 **SEC. 2. PUBLIC AVAILABILITY OF BUILDING PROJECT IN-**
7 **FORMATION.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 33 of title 40, United
9 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
10 lowing new section:

11 **“SEC. 3318. AVAILABILITY OF FEDERAL BUILDING PROJECT**
12 **INFORMATION.**

13 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after
14 the date of enactment of this section, and, at a minimum,
15 on a quarterly basis thereafter, the Administrator shall
16 make publicly available on a subpage of the website of the
17 General Services Administration all prospectuses sub-
18 mitted pursuant to sections 3307 and 3316, and associ-
19 ated information subject to the following requirements:

20 “(1) The Administrator shall maintain such in-
21 formation in an easily accessible and readable, orga-
22 nized, downloadable, and searchable format.

23 “(2) The Administrator shall ensure the infor-
24 mation is current and prospectuses and associated
25 information updated on a regular basis.

1 “(3) The information required under this sec-
2 tion shall be inclusive for a period of not less than
3 10 years.

4 “(4) The information shall include—

5 “(A) the last date on which the relevant
6 webpage was updated;

7 “(B) approval dates of respective author-
8 izing resolutions by each committee of jurisdic-
9 tion, if applicable;

10 “(C) copies of respective committee of ju-
11 risdiction resolutions authorizing such
12 prospectuses, as appropriate;

13 “(D) cross-references to any resubmitted
14 or amended prospectuses and associated resolu-
15 tions; and

16 “(E) such other information as determined
17 by the Administrator.

18 “(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the following
19 definitions apply:

20 “(1) PROSPECTUS.—The term ‘prospectus’
21 means prospectuses, building surveys, and factsheets
22 submitted to the committees of jurisdiction pursuant
23 to sections 3307 and 3316.

24 “(2) COMMITTEES OF JURISDICTION.—The
25 term ‘committees of jurisdiction’ means the Com-

1 mittee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the
2 House of Representatives and the Committee on En-
3 vironment and Public Works of the Senate.

4 “(3) ASSOCIATED INFORMATION.—The term
5 ‘associated information’ means resolutions approved
6 by the committees of jurisdiction and other informa-
7 tion as required pursuant to subsection (a).”.

8 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of chap-
9 ters for chapter 33 of title 40, United States Code, is
10 amended by adding at the end the following:

“3318. Availability of Federal building project information.”.

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